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Attn: POB (via Salzburg) For:
Chief of Base, Vienna

Operational/Cart/Zipper

Johann Sanitzer

Ref: EGLA-5067 dated 18 August 1953
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1. The following traces are available in VOB on the subjects mentioned in the referenced document:

a. FLEISCHHACKER, Johann

(1) LSL-33 dated July 1945 (interrogation of Johann Sanitzer) lists one Johann Fleischhacker as a member of Section 4-2a (under Sanitzer) with the rank of Kriminal Sekretar. A police report states that this Johann Fleischhacker was born 17 December 1903 in Schallersdorf.

(2) VIEN 6784 dated 22 January 1952
WASH 25238 dated 31 January 1952
MAVW-4262 dated 14 February 1952
MAVA-10094 dated 18 December 1951

The above listed references deal with one Johann Fleischhacker born 2 May 1905 in Vienna. It was at one time believed that the subject was connected with Sanitzer during the war. On the basis of documents presently available in VOB, this appears unlikely.

b. FOCKE, Eberhard

MAV-2216 dated 8 August 1950, a police report, states that one Eberhardt Focke, a smuggler who travels into East Germany has received an offer from one Gustav STANEK (elsewhere described as a contact man for Sanitzer in Salzburg) of a job in Eastern Germany working for Sanitzer. The originator of the report is believed to be Focke. There is no further confirmation of this report and no other case known where a report was received of an attempted Sanitzer recruitment of an individual who was not either Gestapo or intelligence connected during the war.

c. HASLINGER, Anton

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(1) MAV-2109 dated 10 October 1950 states inter alia that Haslinger was born 13 September 1909 in Vienna and resided at the time in Perchtoldsdorf near Vienna. In the thirties he belonged to a Nazi terrorist group and in June of 1937 was sentenced to one year's imprisonment for complicity in a plot to blow up the Vienna Westbahnhof. After the Anschluss he managed through his Nazi connections to become the executor of the Stadtlauer Leather works. He allegedly carried a pistol and threatened the workers there. During the war he was with the Abwehr in the Balkans. In October of 1947 he was sentenced by a Salzburg court for a period of four months for the falsification of travel documents. Trial proceedings for other activities were in process at the time of the report. The Vienna police consider him highly dangerous and keep an eye on him. In September of 1950 he was allegedly recruited by the KIS.

(2) BASA-711 dated 19 January 1953, a Gressbahn report on Richard KAUDER, states that Haslinger was a wartime collaborator of Richard Kauder.

(3) MAV-2216 dated 8 August 1950, a police report, states that Haslinger is a contact of Sanitzer's. The source of this report may be Erich KERNMAYR.

d. HUEBER, Dr.

The only trace VOB has on Dr. Hueber is a police report dated 28 September 1950 which states that Sanitzer applied to Adolf SLAVIK for collaborators and was supplied one Dr. Hueber. This may, according to the report, be a person of this same name who lives at Siedlung 73, Konradkaserne, Linz. Hueber allegedly accepted Sanitzer's offer.

e. KASPAR, Hans
STEINER, Josef

(The following should not be passed to Zipper.) MASA-750 dated 26 August 1951 states that a Frau KOERNER, a former criminal police and Gestapo official, informed a station source that Josef Steiner (a former criminal police officer now a driver for the firm Cloderaba in Graz) allegedly maintains contact with Sanitzer through a cover address in Vienna. Sanitzer allegedly tried to recruit him for the East German police and offered him a salary of 3,500 East DM's per month. Koerner also reported that one Hans Kaspar, a former criminal police official presently living in Graz, allegedly received a letter from Sanitzer which was somehow intercepted and led to the interrogation of Kaspar by the police. The station source subsequently contacted both of these men to learn their version. Steiner stated that he had written a letter to one Max KAINLINGER inquiring about Sanitzer. Kaspar stated that he too had written to Sanitzer offering his services. He had no expectation of an answer but thought that such a note would provide some reinsurance in case the Communists took over.

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VOB Note: The other customers of Frau Koerner are unknown, but we have no reason to believe that this information was passed to Zipper. We would, therefore, be very interested in any indications that Zipper has received this report and if they did, from whom.

f. LEUTGEB, Karl

While there is a Karl Leutgeb on the police force in Vienna who fits the Zipper description, we have no indication that he has any past or present connection with Sanitzer. The Leutgeb who is of interest is believed to be Lambert Leutgeb, the former chief of Referent N of the Vienna Gestapo and, it is believed, a friend of Sanitzer's. Lambert Leutgeb was turned over to the Yugoslav's for a war crime trial in 1945 and subsequently released. We do not know his present address.

g. MANEL, Edward

The only information available to VOB on the subject was forwarded in EAVA-2150 dated 24 March 1953.

h. FRIEDASSER, Franz

Our only information concerning the subject was contained in a Zipper report dated 1950. EOLA-1381 dated 5 December 1952 supplied further biographic data.

i. PROCH, Franz

MAV-2216 dated 7 November 1950 transmitted a police report, source Richard Kauder, which stated that Proch was a collaborator of Sanitzer's during the war and that he had heard recently from "S". This information concerning hearing from "S" was transmitted by his wife, a weekly visitor of Kauder's.

VOB Note: The story on the Sanitzer-Proch connection was investigated in some detail by VOB. The ultimate conclusion reached was that there was no Sanitzer-Proch contact during the war and that there was little logic in a connection at this time.

j. URBAN, Karl

VOB has a police report that one Karl Heinz Urban, the former Gestapo chief at Znaim, Czechoslovakia, and presently a high official in the National League, is Adolf Slavik's emissary in negotiations with Sanitzer.

2. It is presumed that the Zipper reply was in answer to a specific POB request for traces on these 11 individuals. We would be very interested to know where POB obtained the names requested.

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